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Mayor Sharpe James announced today that the state's largest city would not allow any more homeless families from New York City to be housed in a local motel after October 15.

In a stern warning James noted, "We understand that displaced families from New York City may be permanently dumped in Newark, and I want to go on record setting a deadline after which total responsibility for these persons must be assumed by their own city's administration.

"And while everyone has compassion for these human beings, who for some reason or another have been displaced from their homes, we in Newark have our own social problems with which to contend and will not be forced to provide for residents of other communities," the Mayor declared.

He pointed out, "It was our initial understanding that these families would be housed at the Lincoln Motel for a short period of time, but this may no longer be the case.

"In the interest of Newark residents, we will use all our legal resources and other feasible measures to prevent these individuals from being a drain on Newark's social services," James maintained.



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He stressed, "If another municipality chooses to abdicate its responsibility we are going to let them know loud and clear that the City of Newark will not assume that obligation," he contended.